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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. McNULTY).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
November 20, 2008.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MICHAEL R. McNULTY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:

Lord God, in You is light and salvation. Because You have compassion on our darkness, we always live with expectations of a new day. Be ever-present and shed Your light upon the Members of Congress.

When confronted by the complexity of problems to be addressed, grant single-mindedness and focus on justice. When confused by many voices of concern and advice, let the truth of Your Word be heard. When aware of limitations and the passing of time, provide patience and understanding of others and the ability to seize the present moment to accomplish Your holy will. For You are ever-faithful, God with us, now and forever.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. LATTI) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. LATTI led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. Curtis, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed without amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 2040. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the semicentennial of the enactment of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

The message also announced that the Senate agrees to the amendments of the House to the bill (S. 1193) "An Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to take into trust 2 parcels of Federal land for the benefit of certain Indian Pueblos in the State of New Mexico."

The message also announced that pursuant to provisions of Public Law 110-343, the Chair, on behalf of the Republican Leader, appoints the following individual as a member of the Congressional Oversight Panel:

The Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. GREGG).

REAPPOINTMENT AS MEMBER TO UNITED STATES-CHINA ECONOMIC AND SECURITY REVIEW COMMISSION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 1238(b)(3) of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (22 U.S.C. 7002), amended by division P of the Consolidated Appropriations Resolution, 2003 (22 U.S.C. 6901), and the order of the

House of January 4, 2007, the Chair announces the Speaker's reappointment of the following member on the part of the House to the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission, effective January 1, 2009:

Mr. Michael Wessel, Falls Church, Virginia.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE HONORABLE RAY LAHOOD, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable RAY LAHOOD, Member of Congress:

NOVEMBER 19, 2008.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Office of the Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: This is to formally notify you, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that my office has been served with a criminal trial subpoena for documents issued by the U.S. District Court for the Central District of Illinois. This relates to a constituent matter. Two of my district offices have casework files that are relevant to the investigation and charges filed.

After consulting with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the privileges and rights of the House.

Sincerely,

RAY LAHOOD,
Member of Congress.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 5 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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